

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 89-230-E/G - ORDER NO. 2004-562
NOVEMBER 12, 2004

IN RE:	Investigation of Property Transfers from)	ORDER WAIVING
	South Carolina Electric & Gas Company to)	NOTICE REQUIREMENT
	SCANA)	AND APPROVING SALE
)	OF PROPERTY

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G or the Company) for approval of a non-utility property sale of 25.75 acres to the City of Cayce, South Carolina and the request to waive the legal notification requirement for sale of property pursuant to Order No. 92-931, dated November 13, 1992.

By its Application, SCE&G states that the City of Cayce recently received approval from the Central Midlands Council of Governments and the NPDS permit necessary to expand its Waste Water Treatment Plant situated adjacent to the Congaree River. The Company states that this approval will allow Cayce to increase its treatment capacity from the current 9.5 million gallons per day to 16 million gallons per day. This increased capacity will be achieved by both upgrade and expansion of the physical plant which will establish Cayce as the provider of wastewater treatment for the southern half of Lexington County. Construction is scheduled to commence in the last quarter of 2004 and be completed in March, 2006.

To expand the physical plant, Cayce must purchase 25.75 acres of property from SCE&G that adjoins the waste water plant on all four sides as illustrated on a drawing provided by the Company. This property is classified as non-utility property, according to the Company. The subject property will be sold to the City of Cayce for \$77,250.00 based on the appraised value of \$3,000.00 per acre excluding timber as determined in an appraisal.

Accordingly, the Company is requesting a waiver of the regulatory requirement to provide a thirty day public notice of the availability of the property for public sale, pursuant to Order No. 92-931. The Company states that the waiver request is made to serve the public interest of the City of Cayce.

We have examined this matter and we grant the relief requested in the Application. Certainly, a waiver of the public notice requirement is reasonable and in the public interest for this public project. Further, we approve the sale of property, so that the waste water treatment plant can be expanded, which also is in the public interest.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

/s/
Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/
G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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